

UTILITY/DESIGN PATENT

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MEDICAL DEVICE WITH VARYING PHYSICAL PROPERTIES AND METHOD FOR FORMING SAME

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1 pg Power of Attorney; and Postcard.

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Respectfully submitted,

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